

Mrs. Elder produced her last dance concert on April 13, 2019. The "LEGACY—A Celebration of 30 Years of Artistry," featured past and current students applauding their teacher's career and contribution to their lives.

Today, Anaheim High's dance program ranks among the top of high schools in the region, with a professional-level studio that is outfitted with audience seating, lighting systems, media projectors and other amenities.

Madam Speaker, it is with great pleasure that I celebrate the work of Anaheim High Dance Teacher Meg Elder, who has dedicated her life to creating opportunities for students through the arts. She is leaving behind a legacy of arts appreciation for a legion of students.

CONGRATULATING THE PEORIA PLAYERS THEATRE ON ITS 100TH ANNIVERSARY

HON. CHERI BUSTOS

OF ILLINOIS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, April 12, 2019

Mrs. BUSTOS. Madam Speaker, I rise today to recognize the Peoria Players Theatre on its 100th anniversary. This milestone now makes the Peoria Players Theatre the oldest running regional theater in Illinois and fourth oldest in the nation.

The Peoria Players Theatre first got its start back in 1919, where it originally was called the Peoria Women's Club home. Prior to settling in their current location in Lakeview park, where they have been since 1957, the Peoria Players Theatre has put on shows in places like the abandoned fire station on Jackson Street to the local high school auditorium—all without missing a beat. Not once has the Peoria Players Theatre closed its doors throughout its 100-year history; instead, they just kept entertaining the people of Peoria with everything from original plays to musicals. Peoria is lucky to have the Peoria Players Theatre represent the community so well, and I cannot wait to see what local talent they produce over the next 100 years.

It is because of dedicated organizations such as the Peoria Players Theatre that I am especially proud to serve Illinois' 17th Congressional District. Madam Speaker, I would like to again formally congratulate the Peoria Players Theatre on its 100th anniversary.

VOTE EXPLANATION ON H.R. 1644

HON. DAVID B. MCKINLEY

OF WEST VIRGINIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, April 12, 2019

Mr. MCKINLEY. Madam Speaker, on Wednesday, I voted against H.R. 1644 because it could open Internet Service Providers (ISP's) in rural areas to burdensome regulations that stifle innovation and slow the deployment of efficient and reliable broadband internet service. I would like to take this opportunity to discuss my vote.

A free and open internet is critically important, but heavy-handed regulation is not the only way to achieve net neutrality. I support the important concepts of no blocking, no

throttling, and no paid prioritization and have cosponsored legislation to support this including: The Promoting Internet Freedom and Innovation Act of 2019 (H.R. 1096), the Open Internet Act of 2019 (H.R. 1006), and ACCESS BROADBAND Act (H.R. 1328.)

Congress passed the Telecommunications Act of 1996, designating broadband as a Title I Information Service and subjecting it to a "light touch" regulatory system. As a result, the internet transformed into one of the most important drivers of economic growth and job creation.

In 2015, the Obama Administration's Federal Communications Commission (FCC) reclassified the internet as a Title II Telecommunications Service, implementing heavy regulations and reporting requirements originally intended for rotary landline phones. This action led to a \$3.6 billion decline in broadband investment; the first period of declining investment in the internet era. In 2017, the Trump FCC reversed the order to return the internet to its original light touch framework.

H.R. 1644 would bring back the heavy-handed regulation and government control of the internet. The measure would lock in approximately 700 unpublished rules that have not been shared with Members of Congress, some of which would allow the FCC to set rates, impose new taxes, approve the deployment of new technologies, and dictate how internet companies interact with their customers. The internet has thrived without government intervention and should continue to do so.

Most importantly, I have heard from many small internet service providers in West Virginia that the reclassification forced them to comply with extensive rules. These rules require them to write new policies, take money, and employee time to complete verifications on prioritization that they were not capable of engaging in to begin with. This bureaucracy is not only incredibly burdensome to small businesses, but it drives vital resources away from the deployment of broadband internet service in rural areas that need it most.

Lacking broadband service is more than an inconvenience, it is a barrier to education, connectivity, and economic growth. It is my hope that we can arrive at a permanent bipartisan solution that protects consumers, encourages innovation, and preserves an open internet. Unfortunately, this bill does not accomplish that.

I am hopeful that we can come to a bipartisan solution in good faith. The state of West Virginia is blessed with beautiful mountains and heavily forested land. However, the geography that makes our state so special also poses unique challenges in deploying internet technology.

RECOGNIZING THE 100TH ANNIVERSARY OF THE AMERICAN CLASSICAL LEAGUE

HON. WARREN DAVIDSON

OF OHIO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, April 12, 2019

Mr. DAVIDSON of Ohio. Madam Speaker, I rise today to recognize and commemorate the 100th anniversary of the American Classical

League (ACL). The ACL is dedicated to supporting and teaching Greek and Latin languages, literatures, and cultures.

Since 1919, the ACL has grown from a gathering of several Classical advocates to a national community of almost 2,500 educators, teaching grades PreK through college. The organization now offers opportunities for discovery for all ages, boasting more than 44,000 students grades 6–12 worldwide. Additionally, the ACL's program "Excellence Through Classics" is celebrating 30 years of service of teachers of the youngest scholars.

The ACL has illustrated that the value of Latin and Greek all-encompassing cultural education programs in today's society cannot be understated. It continues to enrich the lives of students through imparting an understanding of the foundational aspects of ancient classical civilizations. This education is a priceless gift that lends itself to having a well-rounded education and gives supports to other core subjects by improving English language and literacy skills such as reading, writing and vocabulary development.

I am amazed by the work the American Classical League does and wish them well as they continue to build bridges from our past into our future for the next 100 years.

RECOGNIZING THE VILLAGE OF MILFORD

HON. HALEY M. STEVENS

OF MICHIGAN

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, April 12, 2019

Ms. STEVENS. Madam Speaker, I rise today to recognize the Village of Milford's 150th anniversary of incorporation on April 12, 2019. Located in southwest Oakland County, Milford began with the building of a sawmill by Elizur and Stanley Ruggles in 1832 and was incorporated in 1869. Hydropower made it possible for Milford to become one of the first communities to have electric lights in 1892.

Known for its small-town charm and rich history, the North Milford Historic District was entered into the National Register of Historic Places on April 21, 2000. Downtown Milford is recognized for its lively events and entertainment as well as its local shopping and dining.

Milford is also home to the General Motors Proving Ground, the world's first dedicated automobile testing facility. The Proving Ground has been used to introduce industry-leading safety features such as front center air bags. The facility has also helped create a global standard for frontal crash test dummies and was the first rollover test facility.

I encourage everyone to come to Michigan's 11th congressional district and, as we say, "meet me in Milford." On its 150th anniversary, the Village of Milford has much to celebrate. I ask my colleagues to join me in celebrating this tremendous milestone.

HONORING TRIG SOLBERG

HON. SEAN P. DUFFY

OF WISCONSIN

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, April 12, 2019

Mr. DUFFY. Madam Speaker, I'd like to congratulate my friend Trig Solberg of T.A.

Solberg Company, Inc, for being honored as an independent grocer that has demonstrated superior entrepreneurial skills in his community. Just a few weeks ago, Trig was presented with the National Grocers Association's prestigious "Thomas K. Zaucha Entrepreneurial Excellence Award." Since Trig's grocery career began with a small single grocery store 1971 in Land O' Lakes, Wisconsin, he has had an incredible reputation for focusing on families, customer service, and supporting the surrounding community. Today, Trig has grown the family company to include eight supermarket locations and dozens of other business establishments employing more than 1,200 people. I recently toured one of his grocery stores and I can attest that Trig is admired by staff, colleagues, and industry peers for his dedication to his community and commitment to excellence. Congratulations again to Trig Solberg for receiving this award honoring his entrepreneurship and dedication to his community.

HONORING ANN WEAVER NORTON
AND THE ANN NORTON SCULPTURE GARDEN

HON. LOIS FRANKEL

OF FLORIDA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, April 12, 2019

Ms. FRANKEL. Madam Speaker, I rise today in honor of Ann Weaver Norton and on behalf of the Ann Norton Sculpture Garden in West Palm Beach, Florida.

Ann Norton was an inspirational artist. She found her passion at age 8, when she received her first sculpting tools. She eventually moved to New York where she studied at the National Academy of Design, the Arts Student League of New York and Cooper Union. Ann served as an apprentice to the famed sculptor John Hovannes and a studio assistant to Alexander Archipenko. Her artwork was well received and she participated in numerous shows at the Museum of Modern Art and the Whitney Museum of American Art.

In 1942, Ann moved to West Palm Beach and began teaching at the Norton Gallery and School of Art. Five years later, she married Ralph Norton, the school's founder. In 1977, Ann established the Ann Norton Sculpture Gardens Foundation. The sculpture garden and the foundation work to preserve the artwork of Ann Norton and other unique local treasures. The Norton Sculpture Gardens commemorates the great artwork and culture Ann brought to the community of South Florida.

On February 9, 2019, the Norton Sculpture Garden held a grand reopening. After \$100 million in renovations over eight years, the museum now includes an additional 12,000 square feet of gallery space and a new exterior. On display one will experience artwork from the likes of Jackson Pollock, Claude Monet, and Georgia O'Keeffe.

I proudly join the Ann Norton Sculpture Garden in celebrating the induction of Ann Norton to the Florida Artist Hall of Fame this Saturday, April 13, 2019.

NICOLE MARTINEZ

HON. ED PERLMUTTER

OF COLORADO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, April 12, 2019

Mr. PERLMUTTER. Madam Speaker, I rise today to recognize and applaud Nicole Martinez for receiving the Adams County Mayors and Commissioners Youth Award.

The Youth Award focuses on teenagers who have overcome personal adversity and created positive changes in their lives and their community. The program provides businesses, the community and civic leaders an opportunity to support young people in their communities and recognize their accomplishments. Nicole is the perfect recipient for this award because despite adversities and challenges, she has become an inspiration and role model for her peers.

The dedication and leadership demonstrated by Nicole is exemplary of the type of achievement that can be attained with hard work and perseverance. It is essential students at all levels strive to make the most of their education and develop a work ethic which will guide them for the rest of their lives.

I extend my deepest congratulations to Nicole Martinez for this well-deserved recognition. I have no doubt she will exhibit the same dedication and character in all of her future accomplishments.

PERSONAL EXPLANATION

HON. A. DONALD McEACHIN

OF VIRGINIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, April 12, 2019

Mr. McEACHIN. Madam Speaker, I was unavoidably detained on April 4, 2019 during roll call no. 151, on the Motion to Suspend the Rules and Pass H.R. 829, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 1450 Montauk Highway in Mastic, New York, as the "Army Specialist Thomas J. Wilwerth Post Office Building." Had I been present, I would have voted "yea." I was also unavoidably detained during roll call no. 152, on the Motion to Commit with Instructions for S.J. Res. 7, to direct the removal of the United States Armed Forces from hostilities in the Republic of Yemen that have not been authorized by Congress. Had I been present, I would have voted "no." I was unavoidably detained during roll call no. 153, on Passage of S.J. Res. 7, to direct the removal of the United States Armed Forces from hostilities in the Republic of Yemen that have not been authorized by Congress. Had I been present, I would have voted "aye." I was also unavoidably detained during roll call no. 154, on Agreeing to the Amendment, Torres Small of New Mexico Part B Amendment No. 40, to H.R. 1585. Had I been present, I would have voted, "aye." I was also unavoidably detained during roll call no. 155, on the Motion to Recommit with Instructions for H.R. 1585, the Violence Against Women Reauthorization Act. Had I been present, I would have voted "no." I was also unavoidably detained during roll call no. 156, on Passage of H.R. 1585, the Violence Against Women Reauthorization Act. Had I been present, I would have voted, "aye."

RECOGNIZING MRS. SHELLY SMITH

HON. MIKE BOST

OF ILLINOIS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, April 12, 2019

Mr. BOST. Madam Speaker, I rise today to recognize Mrs. Shelly Smith of Marissa, Illinois, who has been presented the prestigious Teacher of the Year Award by the Veterans of Foreign Wars organization, the nation's largest and oldest war veterans service organization.

As an elementary school special education teacher, Mrs. Smith serves her community as a mentor as well as a model citizen. She organized numerous projects to help her community's first responders and veterans, such as her school's Patriot's Day Breakfast. In addition to running her school's booster club, she provides her students opportunities to engage and spend time with local veterans and emergency personnel.

Madam Speaker, please join me in honoring Mrs. Smith and commend her for her patriotism and service to her community.

CONGRATULATING THE BAYTOWN CHRISTIAN ACADEMY BULLDOGS FOR THEIR STATE CHAMPIONSHIP VICTORIES

HON. BRIAN BABIN

OF TEXAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, April 12, 2019

Mr. BABIN. Madam Speaker, I rise today to congratulate the Baytown Christian Academy Bulldogs on winning both the Texas Association of Private and Parochial Schools (TAPPS) football and boys basketball state championships for the 2018-2019 school year.

On Thursday, December 6, 2018, Baytown Christian Academy captured its second TAPPS 6-Man Division III football State Championship in three years with a 49-34 victory over Weatherford Christian Academy. In the playoffs the Bulldogs defeated Greenville Christian Academy, Fredericksburg Heritage School, and Cedar Park Summit Christian Academy on the way to the title game. The Bulldog football team finished the 2018 season with a perfect 14-0 record.

On March 1, 2019, the Baytown Christian Academy basketball team won its first TAPPS Class 1A Boys State Championship, beating Tyler Street Christian Academy of Dallas by a score of 63-39. On the way to their historic victory, the Bulldogs defeated Cypress Oaks Adventist Christian School, Fredericksburg Heritage School, Houston Southwest Christian Academy, and San Antonio Legacy Christian Academy. The team finished the 2018-2019 season with a record of 29-3. The entire basketball team was also on the state title winning football team.

I would like to personally recognize each student and their coaches. Players: Grayson Albarado, Colton Anderson, Jelan Dowdy, Kory Early, Ethan Flukinger, Charles Flynt, Jaden Jefferson, Jaron Jefferson, Aden Lambeth, Jordan Lewis, Jordan Luke, William Morgan, Matthew Pate, Kyron Pitre, Rajean Sheppard, Chance Strange Dave Sun, Richard Washington, Jakob Wheatfall, Treyvian